

REMARKS

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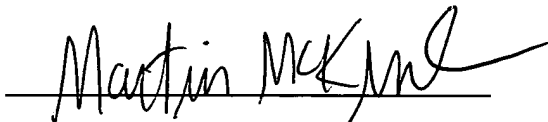
The Examiner argues that the Application contains claims directed to two distinct species, as illustrated in the table below. In addition, the Examiner requests that the Applicants identify the claims that are associated with each species.

In response to the Examiner's argument, Applicants elect Species 1. The claims that associated with each species are as follows:

<u>Species</u>	<u>Drawing Figures</u>	<u>Claims</u>
1	Figures 1-3	1-10
2	Figures 4-6	11-18

Accordingly, claims 11-18 are withdrawn.

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